

REMARKS

Claims 1-13 are all the claims pending in the application.

I. Formalities

Applicants thank the Examiner for initialing and returning a copy of the PTO/SB/08 submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement filed on January 24, 2006.

II. Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 112

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-8 and 10-13 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite.

Applicants have modified independent claims 1, 10 and 12 as suggested by the Examiner and request that the rejection be withdrawn.

III. Allowed Subject Matter

Applicants thank the Examiner for indicating that claim 9 is allowable and for indicating that claims 1-18 and 10-13 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the §112, second paragraph, rejection. Applicants submit that the rejection has been overcome and that this application is in condition for allowance.

IV. Conclusion

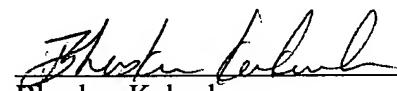
In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

**Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111
U.S. Serial No. 10/768,659**

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The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,



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